Presentation Skills

Session 9

Presentation Skills

- Structure of presentation
- Preparing a presentation
- Delivering a presentation

- > Introduction
- Body / Content
- > Conclusion

- > Introduction
 - Introduction of the presenter(s).
 - Explanation of topic / title.
 - What the topic is.
 - Why it is important / interesting.
 - Explanation of structure.

- Body / Content
 - Chronological (stages of events)
 - Steps in a process
 - Listing factors
 - Comparison
 - Causes and effects
 - Problems and solutions
 - Etc.

> Conclusion

- Summarize the content of the presentation.
- Finish with a strong ending, and it may also include suggestions, and / or opinion.
- Thank the audience
- Invite questions

- Selecting topic
- Planning and organizing content
- Preparing visuals

- 1) What is the goal of the presentation?
- 2) Who is your audience?
- 3) What is the issue that your audience is facing?
- 4) What do they need / want to know?
- 5) What do they already know?

> Selecting topic

- Focus on the goal.
- Relevant and appropriate for the audience.

> Planning and organizing content

- Support the topic.
- Logical structure
- (chronological, cause-effect, etc.)
- Consider audience's background knowledge.
- Lots of new information.

> Preparing visuals

Visuals can be anything to help audience visualize the content of presentation.

- Type of visuals
 - Posters
 - OHP
 - PowerPoint slides.
 - Realia.
 - Etc.
- Form of visuals
 - Pictures
 - Graphics
 - Notes (in bullets)

- Rules of good visuals
 - Information can be clearly seen by the audience.
 - Use the same format and fonts throughout the presentation.
 - Not too much information on one visual.
 - Good slides often have the least information.

> Others

- Time limit
- Venue
- Seating arrangements
- Technical aspects
- Etc.

Presentation Skills Delivering

Describing Facts and Figures

- Use visuals where possible
- Pronounce numbers clearly.
- Repeat important information if necessary
- Select only the important and relevant information

Presenting graphics / tables

- Do not read out all information in the graphic.
- Pick out high and low figures.
- Pick out surprising / interesting figures.
- Summarize the data.

World Heritage Site				
Zone	Natural	Cultural	Mixed	Total
Africa	33	42	3	78
Arabian States	4	60	1	65
Asia-Pacific	48	129	9	186
Europe, US & Canada	56	375	9	440
Latin America & Carribean	35	83	3	121
Total	176	689	25	890

Presentation Skills Delivering

Supporting a point of view

- Giving examples, evidence, conclusion of earlier studies / reports
- Recognize opposing view but (politely) saying why it is wrong
- Avoid emotive language and unsupported personal experience.

Rules of Delivery

- Speak clearly and confidently.
- Speak loudly enough for everyone to hear.
- Do not read out the information written on visuals.
- Give "open gesture"
 - Face and make eye contact with people in the audience
 - Do not cross arms / legs
 - Do not read from notes

Presentation Skills Additional skills

Building rapport

- > Common experience
 - "As all of us probably know,"
 - "When we think of, most of us probably have in mind."
- > Anecdote
 - "I remember when"
 - "An interesting thing happened to me
- > Asking Questions
 - "How many people"
 - "Is anyone here from....?"

Good luck on your presentation...